IN THE CLAIMS:

- 1-12. (Canceled)
- 13. (Original) A method of sending packets to a multiplicity of subscribers in a multicast subscription system, the method comprising:

monitoring the activity at a NACK server.

- 14. (Original) A method according to claim 13 and wherein said monitoring includes determining whether or not there are attentive subscribers from the activity at said NACK server.
- 15. (Original) A method according to claim 13 and also comprising disturbing the flow of data between said sender and said subscribers.
- 16. (Original) A method according to claim 15 and wherein said disturbing comprises altering the sent and pending queues.
- 17. (Original) A method according to claim 15 and wherein said disturbing comprises placing a packet in said sent queue which was never transmitted.
- 18. (Original) A method according to claim 15 and wherein said disturbing comprises altering the packet sequence number.
- 19. (Original) A method according to claim 15 and wherein said disturbing comprises incrementing the sequence number relative to the sequence of packets that actually need to be sent.
- 20. (Original) A method of sending packets to a multiplicity of subscribers in a multicast subscription system, the method comprising:

disturbing the flow of data between said sender and said subscribers.

21. (Original) A method according to claim 20 and wherein said disturbing comprises altering the sent and pending queues.

- 22. (Original) A method according to claim 20 and wherein said disturbing comprises placing a packet in said sent queue which was never transmitted.
- 23. (Original) A method according to claim 20 and wherein said disturbing comprises altering the packet sequence number.
- 24. (Original) A method according to claim 20 and wherein said disturbing comprises incrementing the sequence number relative to the sequence of packets that actually need to be sent.
- 25. (Original) A method of sending packets to a multiplicity of subscribers in a multicast subscription system, the method comprising:

having packets in a sent queue which were never in a pending queue.

26-40. (Canceled)